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1. ECONOMIC COMMITTEE AUGUST 2 ADOPTED WITHOUT A VOTE
RESOLUTION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS INTRODUCED BY CANADA ON
BEHALF ALSO OF ARGENTINA, BANGLADESH, BOLIVIA, COLOMBIA,
DENMARK, JAMAICA, JORDAN, KENYA, MALAYSIA, PAKISTAN AND
THAILAND AS CO-SPONSORS. TEXT OF RESOLUTION WHICH IS
AMENDED VERSION OF DRAFT TRANSMITTED REFTEL FOLLOWING IN
PARAGRAPH TWO.

2. BEGIN TEXT --

THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

CONSIDERING THAT SOLUTIONS TO HUMAN SETTLEMENTS PROBLEMS
AROUND THE WORLD ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED,

BEARING IN MIND THE DECLARATION AND THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION
ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, AND
THE IMPORTANCE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY OF
IMPROVING HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AROUND THE WORLD AS A MAJOR COMPONENT
IN IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE,

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NOTING THAT THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

WAS CONVENED AT VANCOUVER FROM 31 MAY TO 11 JUNE 1976 TO:

- STIMULATE INNOVATION, SERVE AS A MEANS FOR THE EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE, AND ENSURE THE WIDEST POSSIBLE DISSEMINATION OF NEW IDEAS AND TECHNOLOGIES IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

- FORMULATE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AN INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME IN THIS FIELD WHICH WILL ASSIST GOVERNMENTS;

- STIMULATE INTEREST IN DEVELOPING APPROPRIATE FINANCIAL SYSTEMS AND INSTITUTIONS FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AMONG THOSE MAKING FINANCIAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE AND THOSE IN A POSITION TO USE SUCH RESOURCES,

CONSIDERING THAT THE MOST APPROPRIATE AND EFFECTIVE ACTION FOR DEALING WITH HUMAN SETTLEMENTS PROBLEMS IS ACTION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL, BUT THAT NATIONAL ACTION WILL REQUIRE ASSISTANCE AND CO-OPERATION BETWEEN AND AMONG ALL STATES,

1. TAKES NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE;
2. EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF CANADA FOR MAKING POSSIBLE THE HOLDING OF THE UN CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND FOR THEIR GENEROUS HOSPITALITY.
3. EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE FOR THE EFFECTIVE PREPARATION AND ORGANIZATION OF THE CONFERENCE
4. CALLS UPON THE UNITED NATIONS REGIONAL COMMISSIONS, AND URGES ALL OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM, TO TAKE INTENSIFIED AND SUSTAINED ACTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL EFFORTS TO IMPROVE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;
5. RECOMMENDS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL BE REQUESTED TO CONVENE, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS, REGIONAL MEETINGS TO ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR THE CO-ORDINATION, WITHIN EACH REGION, OF ACTION TO BE TAKEN IN ORDER TO DEAL WITH HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, AND TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE RESULTS OF THEIR DELIBERATIONS;

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6. RECOMMENDS THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN CONSIDERING THE REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION, TAKING NOTE OF THE OPINIONS EXPRESSED ON THIS MATTER AT ITS 61ST SESSION.

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3. ECONOMIC COMMITTEE ALSO ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING DECISION
WITHOUT A VOTE:

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THE COUNCIL TAKES NOTE OF THE DRAFT RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
IN CHAPTER I OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING,
BUILDING AND PLANNING ON ITS 9TH SESSION AND TRANSMITS THEM
TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS 31ST SESSION, TOGETHER WITH THE
COMMENTS THEREON MADE AT ITS 61ST SESSION, IN CONNECTION
WITH THE DISCUSSION OF THE REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE ON
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